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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
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For: METHODS FOR EXTENDING THE FRESHNESS OF CUT FLOWERS, ORNAMENTAL TREES AND PLANT

CUTTINGS

Group Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: Alton Nathaniel Pryor

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RESPONSE TO SECOND ELECTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 30, 2002

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as "FIRST CLASS MAIL" addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231, this 30th day of January, 2003.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Second Restriction Requirement and Species Election dated October 30, 2002, for which the date for response was November 30, 2002.

A request for a two-month extension of time to respond is included herewith. This two-month extension will bring the due date to January 30, 2003, which is within the six-month statutory period. The Assistant Commissioner should consider this paragraph as authorization to withdraw the appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4380.000400.